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SUBJECT: IRAQI CHRISTIAN REFUGEES

REF: A) STATE 23729; B) BAGHDAD 202 (NOTAL)

IRAQINT DELIVERED TO US ON JANUARY 31, 1978 THE FOLLOWING  
DIPLOMATIC NOTE DATED JANUARY 30:

QUOTE: THE EMBASSY OF INDIA, IRAQI INTERESTS SECTION  
PRESENTS ITS COMPLIMENTS TO THE DEPARTMENT OF STATE AND HAS  
THE HONOR OF RELAYING TO THE GOVERNMENT OF THE UNITED STATES  
THE DEEP CONCERN OF THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAQ OVER THE QUESTION  
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OF THE 34 IRAQI CITIZENS WHO ARRIVED AT J.F.K. AIRPORT ON  
FRIDAY, JANUARY 27, 1978.

THE GOVERNMENT OF IRAQ WOULD, WITH ALL SORROW, BE COMPELLED  
TO CONSIDER GRANTING THESE IRAQI CITIZENS "POLITICAL ASYLUM"  
AN UNFRIENDLY ACT AND AN INTERFERENCE IN THE INTERNAL  
AFFAIRS OF IRAQ. UNQUOTE. (CUSTOMARY CLOSING). VANCE

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